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SUBJ: HTC TOWERS AND OTHER AVIONICS EQUIPMENT

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1. REPORTED RUMOR IS OBVIOUSLY IN REGARD TO THE 13 INTERNAL REGIONAL AIRPORTS WHICH HAVE BEEN UNDER DEVELOPMENT BY THE DEPT OF CIVIL AVIATION FOR THE LAST SEVERAL YEARS. AS MOST PAVEMENT AND BUILDING WORK HAS BEEN WITHIN CAPABILITY OF LOCAL FIRMS, THESE PROJECTS HAVE NOT IN GENERAL REPRESENTED REAL OPPORTUNITIES TO U.S. FIRMS. WITH CAD MOVING TO DEVELOP ATC CAPABILITY, CONTROL TOWERS ARE AN OBVIOUS EXCEPTION.

2. FOR EXISTING AIRPORTS, CONTRACTS FOR IMPROVEMENT OF ATC FACILITIES MAY BE OBTAINED DIRECTLY WITH SAG DEPT OF CIVIL AVIATION. FOR AIRPORTS YET TO BE CONSTRUCTED, INSTALLATION OF ATC SYSTEM WILL BE INCLUDED IN THE PRIME CONTRACT. (CONSTRUCTION FIRMS WHICH HAVE BEEN DOING THE BULK OF REGIONAL AIRPORT WORK ARE: LAING-WIMPEY-ALI REZA, BINLADIN, AL-DAKHIL, AND THE BRITISH FIRM FAIRCLOUGH.) EVEN IN THIS LATTER CASE, THE SYSTEM SELECTED BY THE CONTRACTOR MUST BE ON THE APPROVED LIST OF THE SAUDI CAD. KEY STEP IN EITHER CASE IS FOR INTERESTED FIRMS TO OBTAIN CERTIFICATION BY CAD (WHICH IS IN TURN CONTINGENT ON FAA APPROVAL OF THEIR PRODUCT). TO DO SO THEY SHOULD APPLY TO: FUAD BUHAIRI, CHIEF, AIR TRAFFIC CONTROL DIVISION, DEPT OF CIVIL AVIATION, JEDDAH.

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